Abstract Format (limit to one page)

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The body of the abstract should be <u>no more</u> than 600 words or no more than one page in length. For consistency of presentation, the information must be presented in the following order, using the bolded subheadings.

Service Area: Identify the geographic service area that the telemedicine network will serve, including its size and population; note how many full and partial Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSAs) and full and partial Medically Underserved Areas (MUAs) the service area contains. Also note any mental health and/or dental HPSAs. Note any other critical characteristics of the service area and its population.
[Example: The BEST Telemedicine Network serves an eight county region in southwestern Kansas, an area encompassing approximately 2400 square miles, with a population of 60,000. Five of the counties are full HPSAs, two are partial HPSAs, one is a HPSA and MUA, and the entire service area is a mental health HPSA. The area has a disproportionate number of elderly, the highest infant mortality rate in the state, and an unemployment rate of 18%. Twenty percent (20%) of the population in the service area is Black and 15% is Hispanic.]

Needs, Objectives and Outcomes: Briefly describe the identified needs, project objectives and expected outcomes.

Clinical Telemedicine Services: Describe the clinical telemedicine services the network will provide; identify the types of health professionals who will provide the services; and describe whether the services will be interactive video-conferencing, store-and-forward, or both.

Additional Activities: Describe any additional activities for which the network will be utilized (e.g., preceptorship of health professions students, supervision of NPs, PAs or CNMs, didactic distance education, administrative meetings, community meetings, etc.).

Network Development: Indicate the number of sites, including the types of facilities (e.g., rural hospital, rural nursing home, etc.) at which sites will be established, and provide the number and type of existing sites. Summarize the types of transmission capabilities to be utilized. Briefly describe the strategies and activities to develop or expand the telemedicine network.

Sustainability: Briefly describe activities to sustain the telemedicine network.